

**LONE PINE STATE PARK ACQUISITION
FACT SHEET
SEPTEMBER 2007**

FWP proposes to acquire a 40-acre tract of land that adjoins Lone Pine on its southeast border as public recreation land. The parcel is currently undeveloped, provides excellent space for dispersed outdoor recreation and wildlife habitat, and is critical to the conservation of the Lone Pine State Park view shed. Hikers and horseback riders use the extensive trails on the property that are linked to the Lone Pine State Park trails system in several places. This property is located directly beneath the park's scenic overlooks and provides some of the most scenic topography on the valley's west side. The parcel is located right on the doorstep of Kalispell. Additionally, the parcel may provide a necessary link to providing trail access to larger tracts of public land to the south of Kalispell. This property is subject to a conservation easement but the easement will not conflict with any plans for the park. The easement was drafted with input from FWP.

REQUESTED ACTION:	>	Approval of Fee Acquisition
OWNER:	>	Charles and Sandra Van Riper, trustees of the Van Riper Living Trust
PROPERTY RIGHT TO BE ACQUIRED:	>	Fee subject to a conservation easement
PROPERTY DATA:	>	Property located in Flathead County, Montana Township 28 North, Range 22 West NE¼SE¼ of Section 24
COST and FUNDING SOURCES:	>	\$470,000 Earned Revenue
PROCESS:	>	Draft Environmental Assessment distributed
	➤	DNRC/FWP Open House 5/2006
	➤	30-day comment period ended 08/16/07
	>	Decision Notice issued 08/20/07
	➤	FWP Commission Approval Pending